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Best Regards,

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Mr. Smith,

CNN has learned that you are promoting a different method of testing drinking water in Flint, MI. This method has been widely criticized by experts who say it provides false results of lead and other toxins in water. We have learned that in some cases, you have encouraged residents to submit the water samples they gathered using this method, not the method required by state or federal guidelines. Several experts we've spoken to say testing the way you recommends would invalidate the water sample.

We have also learned that you are endorsing the sale of NLP Aqua Solutions water filters in Flint, telling residents the filters can filter out HIV from water, make cows produce 40% more milk and grow larger roots in plants. None of the experts we are working with can find any evidence to back up these claims and as of this writing NLP Aqua Solutions has not responded to our request for documentation proving these claims.

Do you still stand by these claim? And if so, why? Do you have any documentation that back up your claims about these water filters? How do you respond to criticism that method of testing water is unscientific and produces invalid water samples?

We look forward to hearing from you.

Best,

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